

UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND
DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

December 27, 2006

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10728743 in the amount of \$1,020.00 has been denied.

Refund has to be request by way of a petition, no evident that the office action was never received. Also we have received an office action in response to the non-final that was mailed on that date (4/6/06), which indicated the fee for the exxtension of time is required.

Sincerely,

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